

# Comparisons of Job Characteristics

**Focus Occupation:** [Registered Nurses \(29-1111\)](#)

**Associated Occupation:** [Occupational Therapists \(29-1122\)](#)

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<<	Focus occupation element is much lower
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0	Focus occupation element is at a similar level
>	Focus occupation element is at a higher level
>>	Focus occupation element is at a much higher level

## Knowledge

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 87

**Focus Occupation:** Registered Nurses (29-1111)

**Associated Occupation:** Occupational Therapists (29-1122)

Associated Occupation's Key Knowledge Elements	Average Rating, All Occupations	Associated Occupation's Rating	Focus Occupation's Rating	Evaluation of Focus Occupation
Education and Training	9.2	17.7	14.7	< Expanded education and/or training may be required
Psychology	6.4	17.7	19.5	> Current knowledge level is likely sufficient
Therapy and Counseling	3.8	16.4	16.2	0 Current knowledge level may be sufficient
Sociology and Anthropology	4.1	12.1	12.1	0 Current knowledge level may be sufficient
Medicine and Dentistry	3.7	9.3	17.8	>> Current knowledge level is likely more than sufficient

The maximum possible rating is 25.

Source: Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section analysis of O\*NET (Occupation Information Network) data.

## Skills

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 95

**Focus Occupation:** Registered Nurses (29-1111)

**Associated Occupation:** Occupational Therapists (29-1122)

Associated Occupation's Key Skills Elements	Average Rating, All Occupations	Associated Occupation's Rating	Focus Occupation's Rating	Evaluation of Focus Occupation
Social Perceptiveness	9.1	12.0	14.9	> Skill level is likely sufficient
Service Orientation	7.9	11.7	12.7	0 Current skill level may be sufficient
Instructing	7.8	11.1	10.5	0 Current skill level may be sufficient
Learning Strategies	7.2	10.5	10.4	0 Current skill level may be sufficient

The maximum possible rating is 25.

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## Abilities

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 96

**Focus Occupation: Registered Nurses (29-1111)**  
**Associated Occupation: Occupational Therapists (29-1122)**

Associated Occupation's Key Abilities Elements	Average Rating, All Occupations	Associated Occupation's Rating	Focus Occupation's Rating		Evaluation of Focus Occupation
Problem Sensitivity	11.1	14.0	17.3	>>	Current ability level is likely more than sufficient
Written Expression	9.8	12.8	12.4	0	Current ability level may be sufficient
Information Ordering	9.9	11.3	12.8	>	Current ability level is likely sufficient
Originality	7.6	10.6	9.5	<	Some improvement in abilities may be required
Fluency of Ideas	7.6	9.9	10.1	0	Current ability level may be sufficient
Time Sharing	6.6	7.8	8.4	0	Current ability level may be sufficient

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## Activities that Both Occupations Have in Common

**Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 73**

**Focus Occupation: Registered Nurses (29-1111)**  
**Associated Occupation: Occupational Therapists (29-1122)**

Work Activities	Exclusivity of Activity
Collect clinical data	56
Communicate technical information	4
Conduct patient assessments	69
Follow dental or medical office procedures	68
Identify body response variations	57
Make presentations on health or medical issues	50
Obtain information from clients, customers, or patients	40
Use clinical problem solving techniques	69
Use interpersonal communication techniques	10
Use knowledge of medical terminology	40
Use sanitation practices in health care settings	48

Not all positions in these occupations will necessarily perform all of the listed activities. The exclusivity rating is an indication of how unique the activity is amongst all occupations. The maximum rating is 100. High scores indicate that only a small number of occupations engage in that activity.

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## Tools and Technologies that Both Occupations Have in Common

**Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 53**

**Focus Occupation: Registered Nurses (29-1111)**  
**Associated Occupation: Occupational Therapists (29-1122)**

Tools and Technologies	Exclusivity
Ambulation and transfer and positioning aids for the physically challenged	27

Audio and visual equipment	4
Blood pressure units and related products	11
Business function specific software	1
Casting and splinting supplies	25
Computers	1
Content authoring and editing software	1
Data management and query software	1
Finance accounting and enterprise resource planning ERP software	2
Gait training products	43
Industry specific software	1
Information exchange software	1
Lamps	19
Medical exam size measuring devices	24
Network applications software	1
Ophthalmic diagnostic exam products	27
Orthopedic softgoods for lower extremity	33
Patient beds and accessories	30
Patient lifts	35
Patient transport products	18
Rehabilitation exercise devices and equipment	24
Stethoscopes and related products	14
Vascular and compression therapy equipment and supplies	33
Viewing and observing instruments and accessories	4

Not all positions in these occupations will necessarily use all of the listed tools and technologies. The exclusivity rating is an indication of how unique the tool or technology is amongst all occupations. The maximum rating is 100. High scores indicate that only a small number of occupations use that tool or technology.

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